

WHAT ANIMAL IS IT?

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"And hear the gladsome chorus of Nature's anthems rise".

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In 1939 I published A Guide to Some Common Animals of the Kruger National Park and this handy little volume brings that information up-to-date and at the same time includes further photographs and more recent data, not only on the mammals but certain of the birds. Some information in the Introduction is also given about the main trees to be seen in the Park.

A simple key for the rapid identification of the many

species of antelopes has also been included.

This booklet has been prepared primarily for the edification of visitors to the Kruger Park, whether they be from South Africa or from overseas, and it is hoped that it will enhance their enjoyment and appreciation of all that they may see; if that is so, the author's purpose will be achieved.

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